STATE OF MONTANA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 23-91

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EXECUTIVE ORDER ESTABLISHING A STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON FOOD AND NUTRITION

WHEREAS, many Montana households are experiencing hunger and are not participating in food programs; and

WHEREAS, food programs are not available in all parts of the state in all public schools; and

WHEREAS, the State of Montana has no mechanism to coordinate food programs to assure the most effective and efficient use of food programs; and

WHEREAS, nutrition education and monitoring are not generally available to prevent chronic diseases.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STAN STEPHENS, Governor of the State of Montana, by virtue of the authority vested in me pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State of Montana, specifically Section 2-15-122, MCA, do hereby establish the State Advisory Council on Food and Nutrition.

PURPOSE

It is the policy of the State of Montana that all citizens have access to food programs and nutrition services and to prevent any needy citizen from experiencing hunger and poor nutrition, and their impact on physical and mental health.

POWERS AND DUTIES II.

The powers and duties of the Council are to:

- (1) advise all state agencies on policies to coordinate the operation of public and private food assistance programs;
- (2) annually report to the Governor on the state of access
- to food and nutrition in Montana;
 (3) provide a forum for review and discussion of state policies affecting hunger, food programs and the status of nutrition for the population at risk;
- (4) promote food assistance programs within the private and agricultural sectors of Montana's economy;
- (5) recognize public and private acts and individuals who significantly contribute to the reduction of hunger in Montana; and
- (6) educate the public as to problems and needs of hungry citizens.

III. COMPOSITION

The names and addresses of the members who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor are:

Mr. Jack Thompson Montana Food Stamp Program SRS 111 Sanders Helena, MT 59620

Ms. Judy Morrill, Director Gallatin County Senior Nutrition Program 807 North Tracy Bozeman, MT 59715

Ms. Lynn Paul Montana Cooperative Extension Service MSU Extension Service Bozeman, MT 59717

Mr. David Thomas DHES MT Women, Infants & Children Supplemental Food Program Cogswell Building Helena, MT 59620

Mr. Gary Watt MT School Lunch Program Office of Public Instruction State Capitol Helena, MT 59620

Mr. Bill Carey Missoula Food Bank 725 West Alder Missoula, MT 59801

Mr. Sid Rispens, Manager Buttrey Foods 1000 Boulder Avenue Helena, MT 59601

Senator Ethel Harding P.O. Box 251 Polson, MT 59860

Representative Jim Rice 1525 Williamsburg Road Helena, MT 59601

Ms. Minkie Medora Community Medical Center 2827 Fort Missoula Road Missoula, MT 59801

Ms. Arlene Templer Salish & Kootenai Tribes Elder Nutrition Program P.O. Box 329 St. Ignatius, MT 59865

The chairperson of the State Advisory Council on Food and Nutrition shall be elected by members of the Council at the first meeting.

IV. EFFECTIVE DATE AND DURATION

The Council shall exist for a period of two years from the effective date of this Order unless otherwise ordered by subsequent Executive Order. This Order is effective immediately.

GIVEN under my hand and the GREAT SEAL of the State of Montana, this 30 day of Avgvst, in the year of our LORD, one thousand, nine hundred and 91.

STAN STEPHENS, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

MIKE COONEY, SECRETARY OF STATE